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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN CHASE HIBBARD, on March 31, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 437 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Chase Hibbard, Chairman (R)

Rep. Kim Gillan, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Bob Story, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Gary Beck (D)

Rep. Rick Dale (R)

Rep. Bob Davies (R)

Rep. Ron Erickson (D)

Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)

Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim (D)

Rep. Marian Hanson (R)

Rep. Hal Harper (D)

Rep. Dan Harrington (D)

Rep. John L. Holden (R)

Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)

Rep. Scott J. Orr (R)

Rep. Bob Raney (D)

Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)

Rep. Sam Rose (R)

Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Rep. Roger Somerville (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Donna Grace, Committee Secretary

Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and

discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted:

SB 502, 3/22/1999

HB 522, 3/22/1999

Executive Action: SB 502 - Concur

SB 522 - Concur

SB 294 - Concur

SB 265 - Discussion

SB 172 - Table

SB 310 - Concur

SB 454 - Discussion

SB 172 - Remove from Table

HEARING ON SB 502

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Sen. Lorents Grosfield, Senate District 13

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.9}

Proponents' Testimony:

Newell Anderson, Department of Commerce EXHIBIT (tah72a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.5}

Aidan Myhre, Montana Association of Hard Rock Mining Counties

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.8}

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

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Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 502

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Hanson MOVED to CONCUR. On a voice vote, the MOTION PASSED,
19 - 0.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.8}

HEARING ON SB 522

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Sen. Mack Cole, Senate District 4
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 19.5}

<u>Proponents' Testimony</u>:

Karen Booker, Montana Society of CPAs EXHIBIT (tah72a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22}

Tom Harrison, Montana Society of CPAs

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.5}

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

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Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 522

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Hanson MOVED to CONCUR. On a voice vote, the MOTION PASSED,
18 - 0.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 2.1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 294

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Harper MOVED to CONCUR. On a voice vote, the MOTION PASSED,
19 - 0.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.4}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 265

Motion:

Rep. Dale MOVED to CONCUR.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.3}

Motion:

Rep. Erickson MOVED a conceptual amendment to include a 5% tax credit.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 16.9}

Discussion:

Bill Snoddy, Golden Sunlight Mine

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18}

A show of hands indicated that there was no interest in pursuing the conceptual amendment further.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.6}

Bob Turner, Department of Revenue

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.6}

Executive Action on SB 265 was postponed.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 28.1}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 172

Motion:

Rep. Hanson MOVED to CONCUR.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28.1}

Discussion:

Barb Ranf, U.S. West

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.6}

Substitute Motion:

Rep. Holden MOVED to TABLE. The MOTION PASSED, 10 - 9. Orr, Holden, Rose, Guggenheim, Dale, Erickson, Rehbein, Beck, Davies and Hanson voting yes; Story, Schmidt, Jackson, Dale, Fuchs, Harper, Raney, Gillan and Hibbard voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.7}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 310 and 311

Motion:

Rep. Somerville MOVED to CONCUR.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.5}

<u>Substitute Motion/Vote</u>:

Rep. Orr MOVED to TABLE. EXHIBIT (tah72a03) EXHIBIT (tah72a04)
The MOTION PASSED, 16 - 4. Story, Orr, Schmidt, Holden, Rose,
Guggenheim, Jackson, Harrington, Dale, Erickson, Rehbein, Davies,
Harper, Raney, Gillan and Hibbard voting yes; Somerville, Beck,
Fuchs and Hanson voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.5}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 454

Motion:

Rep. Hanson MOVED to CONCUR.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.4}

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 27.2}

Substitute Motion:

Rep. Jackson MOVED to TABLE. The MOTION FAILED, 6 - 12. Story, Orr, Rose, Guggenheim, Dale, Somerville, Rehbein, Beck, Harper, Hanson, Raney and Hibbard voting no; Holden, Jackson, Erickson, Davies, Fuchs and Gillan voting yes.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.2}

Further action was postponed.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 172

Motion:

Rep. Harper MOVED to REMOVE SB 172 FROM THE TABLE. The MOTION PASSED, 11 - 8. Story, Schmidt, Guggenheim, Jackson, Harrington, Dale, Erickson, Beck, Harper, Raney and Hibbard voting yes; Orr, Holden, Rose, Somerville, Rehbein, Davies, Hanson and Gillan voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 5.6}

Adjourn. {Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.7}

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:	11:00 A.M.					
			REP.	CHASE	HIBBARD,	Chairmar
				DONNA	A GRACE,	Secretary

CH/DG

EXHIBIT (tah72aad)